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ONE DOLLAR A YEAR

MIDDLE TENNESSEE CONFERENCE M. E. CHURCH.

Appointments of Lebanon District.

The annual session of the Middle Tennessee Conference of M. E. Church South held at Galatin last week was one of the best in the history of the conference. The conference closed Monday night with the appointments of the ministers. The appointments for the Lebanon District are as follows:

H. B. Blue, presiding elder; Alexandria and Watertown, T. H. Gilbert; Algood circuit, R. D. Hill; Cainsville mission, W. L. Brown; Carthage mission, Fred B. Cox, J. B. Jordan, supernumerary; Celina mission, E. U. Robinson; Chestnut Mound circuit, J. L. Smotherman; Cookeville station, R. J. Craig; Crossville circuit, Robert Hall; Dycus circuit, Elisha Henry, supply; Gainesboro mission, O. P. Gentry; Gordonsville circuit, J. W. Swann; Granville circuit, Elijah Robinson; Jacobs Hill circuit, J. R. Simon; Lebanon station, John Durrett; T. H. Hinson, supernumerary; Lebanon circuit, T. A. Matthews; J. Webster, supernumerary; Liberty circuit, J. B. Estes; Livingston and Bethlenem, E. C. Sanders; Monterey and Crawford, S. M. Keathly; Mt. Pisgah mission, L. F. Dickson, supply; Oak Hill mission, J. W. Made-well; Rome mission, W. M. Martin; Smithville mission, A. R. Gibbons; Army Y. M. C. A. work, W. H. Blue; commissioner Washington city church, J. W. Swann.

The report of the conference statistics showed 167 preachers and 79,824 members.

The report on church property showed 633 church buildings, an increase of 74 over last year, and 172 parsonages, which is an increase of two for the year. The value of church property is \$2,296,820, an increase of \$11,895 and only \$8,262 indebtedness.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

The report of "Sabbath Observance" was presented by G. H. Armistead of Franklin and was as follows:

"We, your committee on Sabbath observance, beg leave to submit the following report:

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. On it thou shalt not do any work."

"The fact that this is the only command in the decalogue which is prefixed with the word 'remember' carries with it the implication that the author of our being, knowing that there would be greater temptation and tendency to forget this injunction than any other, purposed a continuous warning by this emphatic appeal for remembrance.

"The disastrous results, both material and spiritual, which have attended the violation of this injunction by individuals, communities and nations and the blessings both temporal and eternal which have followed to each upon its observance established unerringly its vital relationship to the happiness and progress of the race.

"Desecration of the Sabbath has ever been both a cause and effect of spiritual decay. The continental Sabbath of Europe with its defiant godliness, its

crowded race courses and theaters, its open saloons and beer gardens, and dance halls, the unconcealed surrender of gilded vice and absorbing indulgence recreation and amusement, such a dishonored Sabbath was the fruitage of a spreading spirit of infidelity and skepticism. God was eliminated from the national life.

"These United States may well profit by their experience.

"There can be no Christian civilization without the Christian Sabbath.

"The fact that Sabbath desecration is increasingly popular makes it increasingly dangerous. It is a blow at society, the state and the church.

"Methodism by tradition has ever stood for the sanctity of the Sabbath. The world is breaking down the barriers which God ordained should guard it. Shall the church rebuild and rededicate it to herself, to its defense? We say, yes."

It was unanimously adopted.

Rev. John B. Spurlock was changed from the Clifton mission Wayne county, to Linden circuit, Perry county. Rev. Spurlock is a Jackson county boy, and has been on the Clifton mission for three years, where he has met with marked success in his work.

The preachers in charge of the Gainesboro mission, Granville circuit and Dycus circuit, remain the same as last year.

Harry Camp Makes Strong Impression With Jackson County People.

Hon. Harry Camp, of Sparta, was here the first of the week meeting our people in the interest of his candidacy for chancellor in the December primary. Mr. Camp has been here before and has made a most favorable impression on the people of Jackson county, whom he has met. That he is well qualified for this high office is conceded by those who know him.

Judge Frank T. Fancher, member of the State Board of Law Examiners, says of him: "He is peculiarly fitted to discharge the duties of this important office. In the first place, he is the highest type of Christian gentleman. Next, he is a splendid lawyer, possessing an all 'round liberal education, and is well versed in the principles of law and equity. He is a man of very rare mind naturally. He has good horse sense, which is the best of all sense. He is a man of sterling integrity and has the courage of his convictions. If elected, he would not be the Chancellor of any man or set of men, but a Judge for the whole people, regardless of race or position. Mr. Camp is a consistent and regular Democrat. The Fourth Chancery Division would be exceedingly fortunate in having him for its Chancellor. He has one of the most analytical minds. He is just now in the full beginning of vigorous middle life with years usefulness ahead of him."

Judge Fancher is known as an eminent lawyer, having served for more than a year on the Supreme bench of the State under a special commission from the governor. His statement is, therefore, entitled to great weight. Hon. L. D. Hill, chairman of the Democratic State Committee, and who is now a member of the International Boundary Commission, and Judge W. T. Smith, former

GOVERNOR RYE DESIGNATES OCTOBER 28-NOVEMBER 4 "SIGNATURE WEEK"--ISSUES PROCLAMATION.

The week of October 28 to November 4 has been designated by Gov. Rye as "signature week" in a proclamation issued calling the attention of the people to the fact that the government is attempting to enroll 20,000,000 in the United States and 300,000 families in Tennessee during the pledge card campaign. Gov. Rye calls on the families of Tennessee to enroll themselves as being ready to assist the government in the matter of preserving food. The proclamation is as follows:

"The United States food administration is now seeking to enroll 20,000,000 families in the nation in a program of food conservation. Of this number Tennessee is asked to provide not less than 3,000,000 families.

"In view of the shortage of food required to feed the world, it is of vital importance that the people of Tennessee respond quickly to the call of the national government in the work of saving food and stopping waste. Now, therefore, I, Tom C. Rye, Governor of Tennessee, do hereby proclaim October 28 to November 4, both inclusive, as signature week for the national pledge card campaign in Tennessee.

"The citizens of the Volunteer state having responded with patriotic zeal to the call of the nation to devote their sons to the cause of Liberty and freedom, we will respond in like spirit to the call to save food to feed our own soldiers, the armies of our allies and the hungry women and



TOM C. RYE

children of the smitten and devastated nations.

"In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed, at the capitol in the city of Nashville, this thirteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen,

"TOM C. RYE,
Governor.

"By the governor,
"IKE B. STEVENS,
Secretary of State."

Superintendent Dixon Reviews School Work.

I have visited all the schools in the county, and found the majority of them doing work and well controlled, yet there are some, I am sorry say, that are poorly disciplined. In these poorly disciplined schools the teachers are not vigilant. Don't see things that occur that they should, i. e., they are not strong and tactful in their discipline. No teacher can expect the pupils and patrons to be attracted to him or her unless the school is properly disciplined and controlled. More idleness in some of the schools than should be, I want to urge the teachers to use their best and untiring efforts to keep the pupils busy. If you can keep them busy your school will be more easily controlled.

Financially we are in better condition than we have been for several years. The first year of my administration we only had enough money on hand to pay one half of first months teaching. Last year we had enough to pay the first months teaching, and all outstanding warrants, and \$2,228.57 in Trustee's hands. We have not as yet received any of the Dunlap fund to equalize the schools.

The scholastic population of Jackson county when I came into office in 1915 was 5622. Now or for 1917, is 6005, or an increase of 383. This will give us about \$400 more money from the state and will amount to more when the money according to the Dunlap act is distributed. We have gradually increased in the scholastic population each year of my administration until

we about have the entire scholastic population, as the scholastic or the population of those between the ages of 6 and 21 years is usually from 32 per cent to 40 per cent of the population of a county. I have been very vigilant in looking after this by insisting on those that take the scholastic population to make a close canvass of each district, and not go to the stores or cross roads, black Smiths' shops to do work. While some have made a close canvass, others have not. In visiting the schools I always list how many have been enrolled. In one district there had been 218 enrolled, yet the scholastic sheets of the population of that district showed only 168 of school age. The man must have failed to do his duty. Some from another district had come into this district. Some in this district had gone into another district, so the difference was very few. This man had failed to do his official duty. Any man that don't love to do his official duty should resign.

Respectfully,
W. L. Dixon,
Co. Supt.

School Term Must Be Increased.

Oct. 1, 1917.

S. W. Sherrill, State Supt.
Nashville, Tenn.

My Dear Sir:

If the schools of this (Jackson) county should not continue any longer than they did last year, will we get our prorata of the Dunlap act to equalize the schools?

Most respectfully,
W. L. Dixon.

Oct. 4, 1917,

Supt. W. L. Dixon,
Gainesboro, Tenn.

My Dear Sir:

It is my opinion that your schools will receive their proportionate part of the fund to equalize the schools term this year even if you do not continue your schools any longer than you did last year. However, if you continue to share in this fund, you will be required to lengthen your school term.

Very truly yours,
S. W. Sherrill.

The county Board of Education in its session Oct. 5th, decided to close the schools at 4 1/2 months, if it did not knock us out of our prorata of the money referred to above, hence the schools will close at 4 1/2 months.

The board also passed a resolution, that when teachers fall below their minimum for seven consecutive days they must close their schools. If teachers teach in violation to their contracts the Board is under no obligation to pay them for the time.

W. L. Dixon, Co. Supt.

FARM LOAN.

Farmers. I have the latest and best loan proposition ever offered to you. Will furnish you money as soon as abstract title is furnished. Don't fail to get my terms.

Frank Bradford,
Carthage, Tenn.

FARM FOR SALE--2 miles south of ainesboro, good hillside farm, containing about 90 acres. Good dwelling, two good barns and 1 good tenant house, about 40 acres in grass, 40 in cultivation and 10 acres in woodland well watered, easy terms. See B. L. Quarles, Gainesboro.

LIBERTY BOND DAY NAMED BY PRES. WILSON.

Calls On All U. S. Citizens To Observe Oct. 24 As Day.

WASHINGTON Oct. 14--President Wilson in behalf of the liberty loan issued a proclamation setting aside October 24 as liberty day and urging the people of the nation to assemble on that day in their respective communities and "pledge to one another and to the government that represents them the fullest measure of financial support."

"Let the result be so impressive and emphatic," the President urges, "that it will echo throughout the empire of our enemy as an index of what America intends to do to bring this war to a victorious conclusion.

The President's proclamation follows:

By the President of the United States of America;

A proclamation.

The second liberty loan gives the people of the United States another opportunity to lend their funds to their government to sustain their country at war. The might of the United States is being mobilized and organized to strike a mortal blow at autocracy in defense of outraged American rights and of the cause of liberty. Billions of dollars are required to arm, feed and clothe the brave men who are going forth to fight our country's battles and to assist the nation with whom we are making common cause against a common foe. To subscribe to the liberty loan is to perform a service of patriotism.

Now, therefore, I, Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States of America, do appoint Wednesday, the twenty-fourth of October, as liberty day, and urge and advise the people to assemble in their respective communities and pledge to one another and to the government that represents them the fullest measure of financial support. On the afternoon of that day, I request that patriotic meetings be held in every city, town and hamlet throughout the land, under the general direction of the secretary of the treasury and the immediate direction of the liberty loan committees which have been organized by the federal reserve banks. The people responded nobly to the call of the first liberty loan with an over subscription of more than 50 per cent. Let the response to the second loan be even greater and let the amount be so large that it will serve as an assurance of unequalled support to hearten the men who are to face the fire of battle for us. Let the result be so impressive and emphatic that it will echo throughout the empire of our enemy as an index of what America intends to do to bring this war to a victorious conclusion.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done in the District of Columbia, this twelfth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and of the independence of the United States of America the one hundred and forty-second.

(Signed)

By the President,

WOODROW WILSON.
(Signed) Robert Lansing, Secretary of State.